

Amendments to Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 29 with the following amended paragraph.

If, however, the highest confidence score of the word candidates is below the predetermined threshold, an unacceptable likelihood exists that the recognition result is inaccurate. For example, if the predetermined threshold is set to 0.75, neither the word candidate with the highest confidence score, nor the other word candidates provide a recognition result which the speech recognition system can consider accurate. In that case, the method can continue to step ~~460~~452.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 6 with the following two amended paragraphs.

In step 452, potential candidates can be selected. The potential candidates can be represented by a candidate identifier. The candidate identifier can be any identifier, such as a phrase, word, and/or single character that can be used to differentiate the potential candidates from one another. That is, when prompted to select a potential candidate, a user can identify one of the potential candidates by inputting the candidate identifier associated with a desired candidate.

In step 460, the ~~"N" best word selected~~ candidates can be presented to the user. It should be appreciated that the number of selected candidates ~~the value of "N"~~ can be a programmed value or a user adjustable value. Further, the number of selected candidates ~~value of "N"~~ need not be the same as the number of determined word candidates of step 410. In an alternative embodiment, the speech recognition system can use a minimum confidence score threshold to determine the ~~"N" best word candidates to select~~. In that case, if an accurate recognition result has not been determined, any word candidate having a confidence score equal to or greater than the predetermined minimum threshold can be presented to the user.